- WHEREAS, Several active geologic areas capable of producing damaging earthquakes are situated in or near to Kentucky; and
- WHEREAS, Geologic and seismic experts believe future earthquakes are inevitable, particularly in the area known as the New Madrid Seismic Zone; and
- WHEREAS, The Kentucky Division of Emergency Management (KYEM) is charged with the responsibility of preparing Kentucky for all forms of natural disasters, including earthquakes; and
- WHEREAS, It is appropriate that the KYEM should cooperate with other state and federal government agencies, the Central United States Earthquake Consortium, members of the Kentucky Voluntary Agencies Active in Disaster, local emergency officials, and private corporations to prepare the citizens of the Commonwealth for earthquakes;

NOW, THEREFORE, I, STEVEN L. BESHEAR, Governor of the Commonwealth of Kentucky, do hereby proclaim February 2010 as

## EARTHQUAKE AWARENESS MONTH

in Kentucky.

DONE AT THE CAPITOL, in the City of Frankfort this 4<sup>th</sup> day of January, in the year of Our Lord Two Thousand Ten and in the 218<sup>th</sup> year of the Commonwealth.

STEVEN L. BESHEAR GOVERNOR

Trey Grayson Secretary of State